

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 27, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1848
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1848 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require all monthly general excise tax returns to be filed electronically beginning January 1, 2015, and to authorize the Director of Taxation to assess administrative fees on returns filed manually.

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii testified in support of this measure. The Department of Taxation, Disability and Communication Access Board, and Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments.

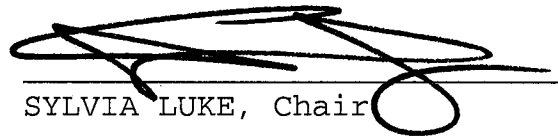
Your Committee notes that vendors often charge a processing fee for transactions. Your Committee further notes that discussion was raised as to how this charge may or should apply to taxpayers filing electronically.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, to encourage further discussion.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1848, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1848, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



HSCR 658-14

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1848	Committee Referral: FIN	Date: 2/12/2014
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.		
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)		
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	/	
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/	
3. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (VC)	/	
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	/	
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	/	
6. ING, Kaniela	/	
7. JORDAN, Jo	/	
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	/	
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.	/	
10. MORIKAWA, Dee	/	
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	/	
12. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	/	
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/	
14. WOODSON, Justin H.	/	
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/	
16. FUKUMOTO, Beth	/	
17. WARD, Gene	/	
TOTAL (17)	16	
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)		
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____		
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